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LAUNCHING OF S. I. ALLARD IS POSTPONED

Low Stage of Water Responsible for Delay of Slide.

The motor vessel S. I. Allard which was to have been launched Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock is still on the ways, and the officials of the shipbuilding company cannot say just what day the big vessel will be launched. The cold weather of the past few days has brought the stage of water in the river to a foot below zero, which makes the launching impracticable. If the cold spell breaks and a little rain comes, the river will rise and at the first opportunity the motor vessel will slide from the ways. Miss Allard, of Eureka, Cal., who was to christen the boat, and Chas. R. McCormick, of San Francisco, were here to attend the launching, but at the last moment it was decided to postpone the initial dip of the vessel until the water reached a higher stage.

I. O. O. F. INSTALLED ITS NEW OFFICERS

Saturday evening, January 13, St. Helens Lodge No. 117, I. O. O. F., installed its officers for the present term. D. G. M. Chas. M. Heeler was the installing officer and did the work in a very creditable manner. The officers for the ensuing year are:

Noble Grand—E. Adin Ross.
Vice Grand—Fred W. Christie.
Secretary—Chas. W. Blakesley.
Treasurer—W. A. Harris.
Trustee—Uther W. Clark.
The appointive officers for the ensuing term are:
Warden—Thompson S. White.
Conductor—John McKie.
I. G.—Percy W. Harrison.
O. G.—U. W. Clark.
R. S. N. G.—Lloyd E. Allen.
L. S. N. G.—Wm J. Fullerton.
R. S. V. G.—W. A. Levi.
L. S. V. G.—Carl A. Hellenberg.
R. S. S.—Percy H. Veazie.
L. S. S.—Burrell P. Graves.
Chaplain—Norman D. McCollum.

Net Saturday evening, January 20, the lodge will hold a special meeting in commemoration of having paid off the mortgage indebtedness outstanding against the lodge property.

CITY COUNCIL PASSES ON SEVERAL MATTERS

The city council met Monday evening in regular session. All members were present.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read, and after correction of the hauling bill of W. E. Farnes and labor of M. Fresh, were approved.

Councilman Ballagh reported he had purchased from John Lafferty one dump cart and harness, for street work, for \$10, which appeared very reasonable and the purchase was approved.

Councilman White reported that after taking measurements for the erection of the hose tower it was found there was not enough space for its construction, and the matter was laid over for further action.

Councilman Allen brought up the question of the collections of street assessments and sewer assessments, which was discussed at some length by the council and city attorney. No action was taken in the matter.

Councilman Muckle reported that a sewer on Winter street was broken and needed repairing, and this was referred to the city marshal.

Applications for building permits were made by the following persons: J. P. Johnson, to erect a pigeon loft on lots 13 and 14, block 57. Application granted.

Application of Wm. Hampson to erect a frame dwelling on lot 22, block 123. Application granted.

Councilman Ballagh brought up the question of gambling in the pool halls and card rooms of the city, and from indications some gambling was being done. The matter was discussed at some length. It was recommended that the ordinances be amended so as to close all card rooms and pool halls at 12 o'clock, midnight.

The several bills which were laid over from the last meeting were taken up and on motion made and carried were ordered paid by warrants on the city treasurer.

LICENSE INCREASED

There is a bill before the legislature asking for an increase in the hunting and fishing license, and in all probability the bill will be passed. It would be well, therefore, for the local nimrods and disciples of Isaac Walton to obtain their licenses now, for a little procrastination may mean an advance in the license.

The Mist is in receipt of a letter from G. N. Hauptman, of Pomona, N. Y. Mr. Hauptman complimented the Mist on its general make-up and the news given, and also renewed his subscription. He wished to be remembered to all of his St. Helens friends. Mr. Hauptman was last in St. Helens during the past summer.

CIRCUIT COURT IS STILL IN SESSION

Jury Returns Verdict in Favor of Plaintiffs vs. City of Rainier.

After four days of arguing and the submission of much testimony, the case of Cooper & Dunaway vs. the City of Rainier was submitted to the jury, who gave the plaintiffs a verdict of \$2,500. The amount sued for was \$5,500, and it is presumed the plaintiffs will take an appeal.

This week the time of the court has been occupied with several cases of minor importance. Thursday the divorce case of Albert M. Merrill vs. Alice Merrill was heard. Merrill sued for a divorce, but Mrs. Merrill filed a cross complaint, and by agreement the divorce was awarded her. The attorneys for both sides agreed upon a property settlement, which was made outside of court.

Several cases are set for the coming week. On the 22nd, the case of Enroberg vs. the State Industrial Accident Commission will be heard, and on the 23rd the case set for hearing is Lillison vs. Smith. The plaintiff is suing I. A. Smith, who formerly conducted a gent's furnishing store in St. Helens, for damages wrought to himself and motorcycle when the auto of defendant collided with the motorcycle of plaintiff. The accident happened a short while ago on the main street of St. Helens.

On the 26th the case of U. S. DeSpain vs. J. L. Zipperer will be heard. DeSpain is suing for \$495 damages to his automobile, which was in a mixup with Dr. Zipperer's big car a short while ago on the Warren-St. Helens road.

The above mentioned cases are the most important ones that are set for trial.

LIST OF TRANSFERS

Reported by the Columbia County Abstract Company.

Jan. 4—G. R. Anliker to Col. Timber Co.; land in Sec. 20, T. 6 N., R. 2 W., \$1500.

Jan. 5—Catherine Kenkins et ux. to Bert Pratt; land in Sec. 7, T. 7 N., R. 4 W., \$10.

Bert Pratt to Catherine Hankins et ux.; land in Sec. 8, T. 7 N., R. 4 W., \$10.

Henry Kratz et al. to H. M. Howard; tract No. 9 Haven Acres, \$276.

Catherine I. Metcalf et ux. to Ethel L. Ennis; land in Sec. 2, T. 6 N., R. 2 W., \$1.

Emma K. Ostrom et ux. to John Nelson; lot 6, blk. 10, Railroad add., \$130.

Jan. 6—J. F. Ryan to Dan Lope; lot 11, blk. 10, Railroad add., \$10.

D. H. Cagle et ux. to D. T. Cagle et ux.; lot 3, blk. 44, St. Helens, \$400.

Mary Mescher et ux. to Pete Le Sollen et ux.; land in Sec. 29, T. 7 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

Margaret Emmons to Simon Snyder et ux.; land in Sec. 33, T. 5 N., R. 4 W., \$400.

Felix Debat et ux. to Mary Mescher; land in Sec. 28, T. 7 N., R. 2 W., \$1000.

F. W. Makinster et ux. to Michael D. Libk; lot 5, blk. 9, Gobio, \$450.

Martin Kaufman to Melchior Tannler; lands in Secs. 20, 29, 30, 32, T. 4 N., R. 1 W., \$4000.

Matti Ojalampi to Nick Lammi et ux.; land in Sec. 31, T. 6 N., R. 4 W., \$600.

W. T. Gillett et ux. to D. W. Price; lots 3 and 4, blk. 3, East Side add. to Scappoose, \$250.

Jan. 8—A. H. Tarbell et ux. to W. E. Stevens; lots 1 and 2, blk. 77, St. Helens, \$60.

Jan. 9—John Tomberg et ux. to Caleb Erickson; land in Sec. 12, T. 7 N., R. 5 W., \$1.

Caleb Erickson to John Tomberg et ux.; lot 2, blk. 10, Bryants First add. to Clatskanie, \$1.

J. P. Olsen et ux. to Florence Perry; lot 7, blk. 38, Moecks add. to Rainier, \$10.

L. M. Perry et ux. to J. P. Olsen; lot 2, blk. 13, Blanchard's add. to Rainier, \$10.

Jan. 10—Omer H. Holmes et ux. to J. R. Holmes et ux.; land in Sec. 24, T. 7 N., R. 4 W., \$10.

Jan. 11—A. B. Wright et ux. to N. P. Peterson; lot 1, blk. 1, Roxy Park, \$250.

Lark McGlone et ux. to Charley F. Crank et ux.; land in Sec. 17, T. 7 N., R. 2 W., \$30.

Alta Johnson to Youffee Fostrom; E½ of lot 4, Beaver Homes, \$1.

Geo. W. Vogel et ux. to W. Koberstein; land in Sec. 5, T. 6 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

J. H. Pomeroy et ux. to Ellis Miller et ux.; lot blk. 18, Rainier, \$10.

Jan. 12—Carl O. Anderson et ux. to Barbara H. McKiel; land in Sec. 6, T. 7 N., R. 4 W., \$60.

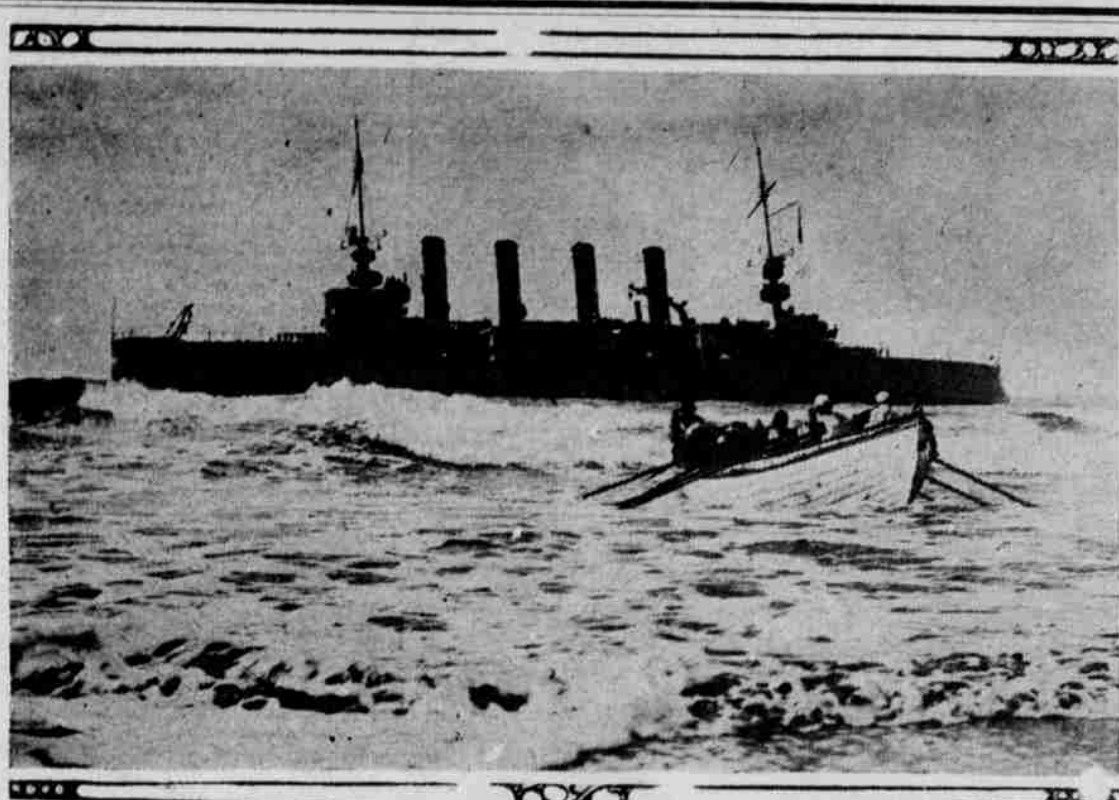
Olga Carlsen et ux. to C. B. Henry; lot 18, blk. 2, Col. Park, \$168.

Jan. 13—Nathan E. Walker et ux. to D. T. Cagle et ux.; land in Sec. 34, T. 5 N., R. 2 W., \$5.

D. T. Cagle et ux. to Nathan W. Walker et ux.; lot 28, blk. 1, Col. Park, \$5.

Axel Paakkonen to Heikki Jauhainan; land in Sec. 17, T. 7 N., R. 3 W., \$100.

Mattie L. Hayes to Geo. F. Baker; land in Sec. 30, T. 7 N., R. 4 W., \$100.00.



Cruiser Milwaukee in the surf off Eureka. The picture was taken Monday. The cruiser went ashore early Friday morning while endeavoring to salvage the submarine H-3. The vessel was launched September 10, 1904, and went into commission December 6, 1906. The contract price for hull and machinery was close to \$3,000,000, and with her gun equipment the cost exceeded \$4,000,000. Her displacement was 9,700 tons; length, 426 ft. 6 in.; horsepower, 24,504, and her speed 22 knots. Her batteries consisted of fourteen 6-inch and eighteen 3-inch guns and some smaller guns. While not rated as one of Uncle Sam's best cruisers, the vessel was still in active commission. Her complement was 15 officers and 450 men, all of whom were rescued. The navy department has given up hope of saving the vessel, but will remove all guns, machinery and equipment possible.

METHODISTS HAVE POT LUCK SUPPER

Member of Church and Their Friends Enjoy Pleasant Evening.

The members of the Methodist church and friends gathered in the basement of the church Wednesday night for a pot luck supper. The ladies of the church were busy all afternoon making preparations for a bountiful supper. And such a supper was served. After supper addresses were made on the church work, etc. Rev. Taylor made the opening address, to which Rev. Hisey responded. Martin White gave a very interesting history of the church and of the old community church which stood on the hill, among other things stating how he and M. C. Gray were the ones appointed to ring the bell whenever there would be services. If it was the Methodist's turn White would climb up the hill and ring the bell, and when it came for the Congregationalists to have their meeting it became Gray's duty to ring the bell.

Dr. Edwin Ross told about being a trustee of one of the other churches, he really didn't know which, but thought he acted as trustee for both.

Addresses were also made by E. E. Quick, L. R. Rutherford and others. The supper was the means of bringing together those interested in church work and will doubtless have a good effect towards the furtherance of the church work, irrespective of denominational feeling.

The new heating plant has been installed and is working satisfactorily, so that the church is very comfortable at all times.

NEWS NOTES OF ST. HELENS HIGH SCHOOL

Examinations Being Held This Week Interfere With Good Skating.

Last Friday evening the boys' and girls' literary societies held a joint session. The program, which was given by members of the societies, consisted of a few well selected numbers and was entertaining. A reading from Kipling by Mr. McCoy was especially appreciated. After the program was concluded various games were played, and all those present enjoyed a delightful evening.

Semester exams are being held this week. Finals have always been one of the best enjoyed pleasures of school life, and our school is no exception to the rule. However several students are exempt from many subjects.

We are glad to hear that Miss Maud Richardson, who has been seriously ill, is now improving.

Miss Adelle Link is absent from school this week on account of sickness.

All skaters are enjoying the fine condition of the ice this week. Miss Walker and Miss LaBare are very ardent skaters, as well as many others.

Tryouts to decide whom should be selected to participate in the county debates were held on Thursday, Friday and Monday evenings in the high school assembly hall. Those chosen to represent our school are: Affirmative team, Lawrence Davies, John Southard; negative, Edrie LaBare, Fanny Cooper.

OREGON FRUIT CROP SAVED BY STATION

Right Spraying Converted 50-Cent Crop Into One of \$5,000,000.

"If it had not been for the bulletins, demonstrations and instructions given on spraying for codling moth the apple crop of the state of Oregon, worth \$5,000,000 last year, would not have been worth 50 cents, because it would have been absolutely eaten up by the worms. If it had not been for the information furnished on spraying for San Jose scale, there would not be an apple tree left today in the state."—E. H. Shepherd, editor of Better Fruit, Hod River, Ore.

Anthraxnose is a disease that made sad havoc in Oregon orchards until it was controlled by formulae that were worked out by Dean Cordley, now director of the experiment station at O. A. C. The editor has seen orchards since they were saved loaded with fruit. The method has saved orchards in other parts of the state and is generally used for this disease throughout the entire world.

The fungus disease known as apple scab was at first controlled by Bordeaux, which prevented the apple from being scabby, but in wet conditions caused them to be so badly rusted that they were unmarketable. Again the agricultural college shines as a savior of the fruit industry, as Dean Cordley, through several years of experimental work, developed a treatment of lime-sulphur that protects the fruit from the disease without injuring it.

PREDICTS BIC PRICE FOR POTATOES IN MAY

Al. Harrison, the sage of "Potatoville," in October made the prediction that by May 17 potatoes would sell for \$4.50 per sack. There has been an advance of \$1 per hundred since Al. made his prediction, as potatoes are now selling at \$2.25 per sack at the farm. Mr. Harrison states that he bases his opinion on the fact that the potato crops in California, Colorado and Texas were very small this year, and thousands of sacks of Oregon potatoes are being shipped out of the state. Moreover, he claims his prediction will be correct and he now thinks that in May and June this staple article of food may reach \$5 per sack.

TO BE MADE HIGHWAY

Senate bill No. 80, introduced by Senator Bishop, provides that the shore of the Pacific ocean, between the Columbia river bar and the California state boundary, shall be declared a public highway, subject to the control of the state land board. That part of the shore, dry between high and low tides, is specified.

Provisions are made that the secretary of the state land board is authorized to contract with any individuals or corporations for the purpose of extracting gold and other metals from the sands of the shore, and all revenues derived therefrom shall be returned to the land board.

Mesdames W. J. Muckle, C. H. John and W. B. Dillard entertained informally Thursday afternoon at the Dillard residence in honor of Mrs. Edwin Ross, who soon leaves for California. Some thirty were present. Refreshments were served.

DISBURSEMENTS OF LOCAL CANNERY BIG

Farmers and Laborers Are Benefitted by Disbursements

During the year 1916, according to figures submitted by L. Rosasco, manager of the Columbia River Canning & Produce Company, the company disbursed more than \$25,000. The amount paid the farmers for their produce was \$18,417.31, and the outlay for labor during the canning season was \$7,085.50.

The company has put up thousands of cases of beans, tomatoes and fruit, and their product has met with a ready sale. Mr. Rosasco states that the company contemplates an enlargement of the cannery in the near future so that they will be able to take care of all business offered and also expedite the handling of the hundreds of tons of produce which comes to them. The pack during the past year would have been considerably larger had the cannery been able to secure the labor necessary. The car shortage also was a factor in curtailing the output.

COLUMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL DOINGS

January 25, 1917, is "Visitors' Day" for Columbia county. All patrons are respectfully requested to visit and inspect their schools. Patrons should visit their schools at their convenience. They will always be made welcome. Visitors' day is not intended to deter from visiting at other times, but is a special inducement to visit on this particular day.

Forty teachers attended the local institute at Scappoose on the 13th inst. A good program was carried out to the letter and most of the teachers took an active part in the discussions. The Scappoose people proved to be a good host, the teachers most loyal and obliging and the cooks most clever in the culinary department.

The following teachers were present: Scappoose, J. H. Dodson, C. L. Ogilvie, Emma Crow, Jessie H. McDonald, Mrs. M. W. Hatfield, Mrs. Edna McCord, Mrs. Ada Holiday, Mildred Taylor; St. Helens, L. L. Baker, F. C. Knight, L. W. Schisler, Lillie M. Leith, J. H. McCoy, Mrs. Effie Wilson, Madeline Slobbom, Elsie Philip, Beth Perry, C. E. Lake; Warren, C. J. Russell, Hilda Muhr, Mary Dahlgren, Mary Thomas; Goble, Anna Ketel; District 12, Lucile G. Clark; Rainier, P. J. Kuntz, Bertha Harbison, Ethel Allen, Mrs. Amanda M. Kuntz, Stella Ingraham, Jane Barnett; District 16, Evelyn Pike; District 21, Bird B. Clark; District 28, W. W. Patterson; District 29, Athline D. Tolly; District 30, Yankton, G. W. Brown, Kate Moore, Ethel B. Lawbaugh; District 39, H. N. Miller; District 45, May Novak; Jesse McCord, Myrtle Arff, Josephine Connors, Portland.

Warren school, under the leadership of C. J. Russell and his able assistants, has recently purchased a new piano, and Mrs. Bird B. Clark has done likewise for her school at Chapman.

The next local institute will be held in St. Helens, February 24.

The Columbia county teachers' organization made its appearance at the Scappoose meeting. The teachers of Columbia are uniting for the betterment of the public schools and the good of humanity in general. A united effort is the only effort that counts for much. Every teacher in the county is expected to join the association. The organization is already being asked to use its influence in behalf of certain legislative measures for the good of the boys and girls of this state, one of which is the anti-cigarette bill. The officers of the association are P. J. Kuntz, president; L. L. Baker, vice president; J. H. McCoy, secretary-treasurer.

COLUMBIA CO. BANK ELECTS OFFICERS

Growth of Local Institution Satisfactory to Officers and Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Columbia County Bank was held Monday. Edwin Ross, A. L. Stone, H. F. McCormick, Martin White and J. W. Day were elected directors. The directors then selected the following officers:

President—Edwin Ross.
Vice President—Martin White.
Cashier—A. L. Stone.
Assistant Cashier—H. E. LeBare.

The growth shown during the past year was most satisfactory to officers and stockholders, and the institution is in a flourishing condition. The deposits for 1916, compared with 1915, show an increase of \$90,000.

The steamer Multnomah, Captain Green, arrived in Wednesday night and went to the docks of the Columbia County Mill. She dropped down to the St. Helens dock today and will sail tonight. This is the first trip of the Multnomah to the Columbia river in several months, the vessel having been on the Grays Harbor-San Pedro run.